The Grand Diſappointment,

Or, A Deſcription of the ſeveral Figures, the *Pope*, *Pretender*, *Cardinals*, *Jeſuits* and *Fryers*, that were deſigned to Diſturb the Government, being Seized and Apprehended, by Her Majeſty's Grenadiers on *Saturday* Morning the 17th Inſtant at Two of the Clock, in *Angel-Court*, *Drury-Lane*, the Perſons Names they were deſign'd to Repreſent; the Manner they were to be Carried. And a Deſcription of the whole Proceſſion, as it was tohave been Conducted from *White-Hall* to the *Royal-Exchange*, and the *Speeches* that were to be made.

ON *Saturday* laſt, being the Day of Queen *Elizabeth* Acceſſion to the Throne, which in Memory of that Proteſtant Queen has ever ſince continu'd to be kept. Some True Sons of the *Lov-Church*, and even as 'tis ſaid, no Little Ones, deſign'd to prevert the Deſign, and to turn it into a Redicule upon the *High-Church*.

In order to this, they ſet Taylors and others to Work, and had dreſt up the *Pretender*, whoſe Cloaths were all Lac'd, and Silver Buttons upon it, with Hat, Feather, and other genteel Accoutrements. The *Pope* was made ſetting under a Canopy of State, very richly dreſt; the *Devil*, who was to ſtand by him, was dreſt like a Devil. There was beſides, Four *Cardinals*, Four *Jeſuits*, and Eight *Capuchin-Fryars*, all in their proper Habits, and very well dreſt; the whole ſo Chargeable, that 'tis plain very *Great Ones* muſt have open'd their Purſes.

The Figures were to be carried at Night in great Pomp thro' the whole City and Suburbs, with 200 Flambeaux attended, every one tohave had a Crown a Piece, beſides many others that were to be Employ'd in Marſhaling and ordering the whole Proceſſion.

But the Thing coming to be Talked of, it got to the Ear of the Government, who employ'd Meſſengers to make the Diſcovery where this *Romiſh Train* was lodged.

Which being done, an Order was ſent to the Guard at the *Tilt-Yard*, to which 16 Granediers, with a proper Officer, who about Nine a Clock march'd into the Piazza in *Covent-Garden*, where they ſurrounded, and to prevent any Notice being given, they kept all People from coming and went.

Which being done, about Twelve, they march'd into *Angel-Court* in *Drury-Lane*, where in an empty Houſe up one Pair of Stairs, they found the Figures aforeſaid, ſtanding round the Room, all in Rich Dreſſes; and as ſoon as they had ſecur'd, they convey'd down to the Treaſury Chamber at Whitehall, where they are now Priſoners, and will have great Liberty to make the Proceſſion that Night, to the great Grief of the Party and the Mob: However, they are here preſented with the Form of the whole *Deſign*.

This Affair is charg'd by ſome upon the *K—t-C—t-C——b*, and by the Expence it would have amounted to, it muſt be ſome who have good Eſtates, and could afford to have been ſo bountiful.

The manner, as far as we can learn that this Deſign was to have been Executed, was as follows.

On *Saturday* Night, about 7 a Clock, it was to have mov'd from beyond the Gate beyond *White-Hall*, and when the firſt Stage came againſt the *Banquetting-Houſe*, it was to ſtop till all was ready to proceed, where the *Devil* was to ſet up a Laugh, and point at the Two *Cardinals* that ſat at the *Pope*'s Feet. What the Deſign of this might be, they know beſt that form'd it.

On this Stage was the *Pope* plac'd under a Rich Canopy, the *Devil* on his Right Hand, and at his Left a *Jeſuit Prieſt*; ſuppos'd to hint at the Print of Dr. *Sacheverell*, which was done before his Tryal. At his Feet ſat Two *Cardinals*, and behind him ſtood a Row of *Capuchin-Fryars*.

The Two *Cardinals*, it is ſaid, were malicioufly to Repreſent two Eminent Pr—— tes, diſtinguiſh'd by their great Piety and Zeal to the Church, which they manifeſtly ſhew'd on a late Occaſion, and by their Arguments for the Rights and Ceremonies thereof, and are therefore branded by the Names of the *Church Papiſts*. The Row of *Capuchins* that ſtood bowing, were to Ridicule the C——y of *London* that Addreſs'd Her Majeſty.

On the Second Stage the *Pretender* was to have been plac'd between Two *Cardinals*, hem'd round with Four *Jeſuit Prieſts*, who deliver'd Papers to him.

The meaning of the *Pretender* is plain, the Two other *Cardinals* were, 'tis thought, to Repreſent the Two other Pr——tes, fam'd alſo for their Zeal to the Church, and Enemies to Hypocriſie and Rebellion; and therefore have been vilely branded with the Names of *Jacobites*, and deſigners to bring in the *Pretender*. The Four *Jeſuits* were deſign'd to Repreſent Four Eminent Divines, Men famous for their Preachings and Excellent Lives; and ſuppos'd to be Dr. *A———y*, Dr. *S———ge*, Dr. *H———y*, and Dr. *H——ns*, and the Papers they deliver'd were to ſignify Inviting him in. Hell it ſelf could not form a more Malicious Invention.

To conduct this Proceſſion, there was firſt to go Two Harbingers, with Silver-headed Staffs, and each bearing a Torch. There was to be 60 Bearers, who were to change at every Stand; Twelve were order'd to Marſhal and Manage the Proceſſion as it ſhou'd go, and 200 Torches or Flambeaux were to be carry'd by as many Bearers, each of which were to have Five Shillings a Man.

The firſt Stand was to have been made at *Charing-Croſs*, where the following Verſes (it's ſaid) were to be ſpoke.

From Popery and Tyranny, deliver us, we pray,
And always give Authority to Celebrate this Day:
No Pope, *no* Powder, Jeſuit *or* Pretender,
But Heav'n preſerve Her Majeſty, and from the ſame defend Her.

The Second Stand was to have been made at *Temple-Bar*, where the the following Verſes were to have been ſpoke.

Since Popery its Black Deſigns has let us ſe,
Oh let it to this Realm a Warning be,
To guard us againſt Foreign Slavery.

The Third Stand was to have been at St. *Paul's*, with the following Diſtich.

May we by France, *nor* Rome, *be e'er Betray'd,*
Nor Black Sedition e'er this Land invade.

The Fourth Stand was to have been made at *Cheapſide-Conduit* with the following Lines.

From Helliſh Plots, Fires and Popiſh Treaſon,
Pray Heaven keep this City in due Seaſon.

The Fifth Stand was to be at the *Royal-Exchange*, with the following Lines.

May Slaviſh Notions hence for ever ceaſe,
And ſend us both a Safe and Laſting Peace.

After which was to have been conductedback to *Temple-Bar* again, and there Burnt in all its Splendor. For the reſt let People imagine, who but ſome Toppers could Form ſuch a Deſign.

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